

**STATE SENATOR • IRMA CLARK-COLEMAN • 3RD DISTRICT**  
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**MICHIGAN SOCIAL WORKERS GROUP NAMES  
CLARK-COLEMAN LEGISLATOR OF THE YEAR**

LANSING – School social workers across the state honored Sen. Irma Clark-Coleman (D-Detroit) for her efforts to improve education for public school students in Michigan.

The Michigan Association of School Social Workers recently held its annual state conference, “Unveiling the Happy Child” in downtown Detroit where leaders presented Sen. Clark-Coleman with an engraved plaque. The group, whose mission is to advocate for children, identifies with the Senator’s commitment to children’s success.

“I am honored to be recognized for my contribution to education,” Sen. Clark-Coleman said. “I am a firm believer that education must fill in all the gaps that may hinder a child from reaching his or her educational capacity.”

Sen. Clark-Coleman has sponsored legislation that would reduce elementary school classroom size, require school boards to develop promotion standards that include exits skills and attendance records, in addition to educational plans for students at risk of not meeting acknowledged promotion standards.

“I believe the personal approach to education will better service our children,” Sen. Clark-Coleman said. “If we give them the support where it is needed the most, we will have succeeded in giving them a solid educational foundation.”

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*State Sen. Irma Clark-Coleman represents the 3<sup>rd</sup> Senate District. She sits on the Banking & Financial Institutions, Education, Families & Human Services, and Senior Citizens & Veterans Affairs committees.*